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RESPONSE TO 25 AUGUST 2005 NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT <u>AMENDMENT</u>

Dear Examiner Sotomayor:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated 25 August 2005 and the 22 March 2005 Non-Final Office Action, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks:

SUMMARY OF NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

| Claims 1-2 | Claim objections - incorrect status id |
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| Claims 1-2 and 8-27 | 103(a) obvious Eggert et al.+ Lampotang et al. + Tjølsen et al. |